WHAT WE CAN'T BUY

AN ELOQUENT SERMON BY DR. LEVY AT BETH AHABA.

THE REAL WORTH OF RICHES,

Aucient Philosophy and Modern In voked to Show the True Value of Things Which Men May Acquire-A Large Andience Present.

Rev. Dr. Clifton H. Levy, of New York, editor of "Jewish Comment," preached again for Rabbi Calisch, at Beth Ahaba Synagogue, yesterday morning. There was a large audience present, and the elequent sermon received very close at-

WHAT WE CANNOT BUY. Dr. Levy's subject was, "What We Cannot Buy," He spoke in part as fol-

lows:

Are you certain? are you sure? are questions which always make us hesitate for a moment after making a statement. The old cant about our being certain of nothing but death and taxes was far from being the truth, for we are much more certain that we are alive we possess some wealth than that we shall have to pay for that privilege. There are many things in life of which we might be certain, if we would. The shifting, drifting careers of many wandering human beings is largely due to this lack of certainty. We want to be sure, and we can be sure, if we only will, Sure of what? We can be sure of our own selves, of our own natures, of the laws at work within and around us. our uncertainties have to do with the most trifling concerns; the greatest part of life is sure if we will only make it so. There are great laws controlling all our affairs, and we can utilize them if we will, or if we violate them we must suffer. Most men pretend to believe in the law of cause and effect, but their actions belie their pretended belief. They think that they are smart enough to evade the consequences of their actions.

How many criminals expect to be caught when they commit their crimes? Many of us are petty criminals, sinning against our best selves, thinking that we chall manage somehow to evade the consequences, forgetting the old dictum of our sages, "Be sure your sins will find you out." And yet this very precept has been misunderstood and misapplied. Many men have done wrong and suc-ceeded in concealing their ill-doing from the eyes of all the world, but notwith-standing there was one man who knew, once and always, the "sin had found him out," and that man was himself, and the conscience that God gave him made that knowledge perpetual punishment. OTHER BINDING LAWS.

There are other laws just as insistent, just as relentless, whose operation none can escape. The prophets of old tried to make their hearers as certain of these laws as they were themselves. When Isaiah cried to the people, "Come, every one that thirsteth, buy without money and without price, wine and milk," he announced a law as certain as that of cause and effect. He startled his hear-ers by telling them, come and buy without money, and the same teaching might well be repeated to-day. The law that lay behind was this. Like buys like. fou may buy houses, lands, foods, for money, but it is only one kind of matter exchanged for another. The best and highest things in life we rightly call priceless. What value will you set upon the precept, "Love thy neighbor as thy-How much should we pay for he law, "Thou shalt not steal?" We didacy for the office of Commission all know in our heart of hearts that the the Revenue at the spring election. ost precious things in life cannot be

TWO GREAT CERTAINTIES. "If duty be one of the certainties of our nature, there is the consequent certainty of the happiness which comes from being in accord with our own natures. It is the ascetic who degrades luty to penance, the true man makes his duty his happiness, because he finds that he can smile or laugh; that he has, the capacity for enjoyment, and he turns the phrase into the duty to be happy. It s the Jewish idea as opposed to the Puritan-our Sabbaths are festivals, made holy by proper joy. This, too, will lead us to a certainty; which every one admits, that earnestness and sincerity are the realities, the real truths; while presence and affectation make the travesties on life. We have the conviction, which is one of our modes of thought, that effect and cause are inseparable, yet men are not convinced of the absolute certainty of this, or they would not carelessly ori-

finate causes of which they know not be distant effects. Your life and my life is a constant proof of the constancy of the principle; yet, from lack of care and thought, from uncertain appreciation of necessary con-sequences, there are many first steps which we would never have taken had known what surely followed. But this principle will help us when properly

LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES.

"Who can tell the world of thought which may be set in motion by you or me? Are we not certain that the true ideal will be realized; willing that the false die; glad if we may only hear of the Promised Land into which our people will urely pass? Of this we are assured-that the world has never been what it is to-day; that there were never freer bodies and freer minds than to-day; that the means of culture were never so numerous as now; that the masses of men stood a lower plane in all past time than the one they occupy to day; that the hild in our schools knows more of the world in which he lives than 61 his grandfather when life was over. And all pors were called to testify to the uni-

MORALITY OF THE BIBLE. "We are certain that the morality of our Book is that which fits all life and will solve all doubts; that the spirit of murdered man, as claimed by the prose the Bible is the purliving stream which shall wash all men clean. The certainty of its morality is the central hope for all of us. If we properly appreciated this certainty it would end all strife among us-there need be no question of ortho-doxy or reform-but the Jew is he who lives up to our morality. Whether he wear hat or no, shoes or no, coat or no, we are certain of his Judaism if he have its spirit. If not, he may be born of Jew-ish parents, marry a Jewess, observe every form of all rituals; but he is withour ranks. Our greatest certainty is that the perfect man is the perfect Jew,

and we need merc'y to melt all our cer-tainties together and find this resultant.
"All in life that is worth having is certain; that worth buys honor, truth buys fame, good must triumph; that friend-ship is free to all, and love the higher certainty which we touch with trem That we must be certain of our real selves, our soul, and certain of Gcd, the source of all certainties. We are certain of the duties of development, of our nsibility for proper activity. THE IDEAL THE CAUSE OF GROWTH

We know the reality of earnestness and sincerity, of cause and effect. We are conscious that the ideal is the impulse of all growth; that our present is certain and better than ever. We are sure of the nobility of human nature and its constant improvement. We are most certain of the morality which comes from

of truth upon its face. We are certain of the mission of man, and what more do we need in life? All that seemed misty is clear; all that seemed shaking is firm. We rely upon our certainties, and go ever

BASKET-BALL TOURNAMENT.

Teams to Compete for Championship at Association Gympasium.

A series of basket-bail games for the association championship opens this wee at the Young Men's Christian Association of this city. The following teams will compete: Farmers, Eagles, Hornets, and Hot Tamaies. The Farmers will appears in appropriate costume, and each of other teams will be distinguished by different colors.

The first game will be played Friday, March 18th, at 8:30 P. M., by the Hot Tu males and Farmers. A close game is ex-jected. Following is the complete sche-

Friday, March 8th, 8:30 P. M., Hot Tamales and Farmers. Saturday, March 26th, 4 P. M., Eagles

and Hornets. Thursday, March 31st, 9 P. M., Hot Ta-

nales and Hornets. Monday, April 4th, 8:30 P. M., Farmers and Eagles

Thursday, April 14th, 9 P. M., Hot Tanales and Eagles Monday, April 18th, 8:30 P. M. Farmers

and Hornets. At the close of the series the winners will be awarded a championship banner, than that we shall die; far surer that to be presented by a lady friend of the association. The victorious team will be open to challenge till May 7th, at which time the final award will be made. Both ladies and gentlemen are cordially invited to these games. The roster of players is herewith appended:

(in costume): Watson (captain), Tower, Marshall, Lancaster, Bur-Eagles (blue): Langhorne, Cousins,

Armistead, Snead, Gregory (captain). Hornets (white): Booth (captain), Carter, Lacy, Duncanson. Hot Tamales (red): Forrest (captain), Nixon, Crawford, W. O. Pollard, Pyle.

MUCH MONEY FOR SCHOOLS.

Ronnoke Believes in Education-A "Flim-Flam" Game.

ROANOKE, VA., March 12.-(Special.)-The letter-carriers of this city met tonight at the city post-office and organized Roanoke Branch, No. 524, of the National Association of Letter-Carriers. Charles J. Richardson was elected president, and C. E. Huff vice-president, seniority in the service prevailing as to the election of these two officers. Other officers are as follows: Secretary, George S. Jack; Treasurer, J. Nabe; Collector, J. E. Wayland; Sergeant-at-Arms, A. F. Brooks. A committee on by-laws, composed of Charles J. Richardson, J. Nabe, and George S. Jack, were appointed.

pany held last night the newly-elected officers for the ensuing term were installed, among them being A. B. Hammond, president; F. E. Young, vice-president; James McFall, secretary, and James M. Moore, treasurer. The Juniors are one of the most efficient, and, perhaps, the best-equipped volunteer fire

companies in the State. The School Board of this city will erect luring the year two excellent schoolbuildings, at a cost of \$9,000 each. One is to be on west Campbell avenue, in the First Ward, and the other in the Melrose addition, in the Fifth Ward. The Gilmer-Avenue School, in the Fourth Ward, will have an additional wing built, at a cost of \$3,000. This, with the cost of sites for the other two, will run the amount to be expended in new buildings by the School Board up to \$25,000.

W. P. Dupuy, the present postmuster, who will be succeeded in a few days by S. Harris Hoge, has announced his can-didacy for the office of Commissioner of

IN THE COURTS. The Hustings Court is busy with the case of Neal Featherston & Co. vs. Gish's Administrators. This suit involves the payment of 5 per cent, commission on the sale of an \$50,000 farm. The case has been

in the courts for a long time.

Dick. Shelton, the one-legged negro boy, who dangerously wounded Hallie Henderson about a week ago by shooting hi and who has since been in fail, was re-leased yesterday by Justice Van Talia-There was no evidence to show that the shooting was done maliciously but, on the other hand, circumstances went to show that it was purely an acci-

This morning Officer Moss arrested Harry First alias Remington alias Siwho is known here as a vender of rattlesnake oil. He was taken into custody on the charge of playing a "film-flam" game on Jim Anderson, an attache of Schalz's Concordia. Anderson had a him look at it. The boy did so, and the man with many allases and deft fingers exchanged a & note therefor and passed it over to Anderson, who put it in his pocket without looking at it. As soon as e learned that he was the victim of a 'flim-flam' game, Anderson went to the Police-Justice and swore out a warrant. Sims was taken before Justice Taliaferro and fined \$10 and sentenced to fifteen days n jail. He claims Richmond as his home, and the jail sentence was remitted, with the understanding that he should leave town immediately. Before he could get out, however, a second complaint was lodged against him, and now the young man is languishing in jail.

THE KIBLER TRIAL.

Witnesses for the Defence-A Cool Prisoner.

LURAY, VA., March 12 .- (Special.)-The detence is progressing rapidly in examining witnesses in the Kibler case, The prisoner's father and various neighis we are certain comes from the realibetween the accused and the murdered Five witnesses were introduced, by whom it was sought to prove that the bloody axe was not the property of the cution, but belonged to an unknown per-

The jailer at Front Royal, where the boy Kibler was confined temporarily, tes-tified that a detective in the employ of the Commonwealth chared Kibler's cell three days in an attempt to get his se-cret, and when he left, said: "The boy is as dumb as an oyster. I can get no-thing out of him." The defence seeks to introduce witnesses to prove that the murdered man believed his life was threatened by an unknown party. The admissibility of this evidence will be de-cided by the Court Monday. Kibler, who is only 21 years of age, preserves the coolest demeanor, and seems the least in-terested spectator in court.

James-River Improvement.

The Committee on James River Improvement met yesterday afternoon and adopted appropriate resolutions in regard to the death of Messre, Branch R. Allen

to the death of Messrs. Branch R. Allen and James M. Allison, both of whom were members of that body.

The committee has in preparation a resolution to be sent to Virginia representatives in Congress, petitioning them to urge the body to appropriate \$120,000 for the improvement of James river.

A Silver Tea.

A silver tea will be held next Thursday evening at the residence of Colonel John S. Harwood: 1009 Floyd avenue, for the benefit of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the First Baptist church. A splendid musical programme has been arranged.

MUCH LOSS BY FIRE,

BARN AND MACHINERY OF J. R. AYRES BURNED IN DINWIDDIE.

Death of Mr. A. J. Morgan-The Primary Election in the Cockade

WATER-METERS FOR PETERSBURG.

City-Rev. Mr. Fristoe to Decide

PETERSBURG, VA., March 12-(Spe cial.)-Mr. J. R. Ayres, residing in Din widdle county, a few miles from Peters burg, met with a severe loss by fire last night. A large barn, silo-shed, and ma chinery for the manufacture of peanut planters were destroyed. The loss is be tween \$3,000 and \$4,000, and his insurance only \$2,000. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary. Mr. Ayres did quite a large business in the manufacture of planters and other farming implements.

The city to-day received another instalment of water-meters. During the past few days about 400 meters have been put in place, and it is expected that the work will be completed within the next ten days or two weeks. Meanwhile, the Water Committee of the Council are considering the matter of water-rates under the meter system, which, on the 1st of April, will superside the present one, Under the plan of water assessments heretofore in vogue, the city has derived a large annual profit over expenses, but a great draft has been made on the supply Under the meter system, it is believed there will be such a large saving of water as not to threaten the source of supply, even in times of drought.

DEATH OF A. J. MORGAN. Mrs. A. J. Morgan, a venerable and most respected lady, died last night at her residence, on west High street. She was 80 years old, and leaves several chit-

The Democratic City Central Commit tee met last night, and decided upon April 5th as the date, for the primary election. Assessments against all candi-dates who shall enter for office were fixed. Candidates for Mayor are required to put up \$25, and for Sergeant, Co. sioner of Revenue, and Collector of City Taxes, \$30 each. Others range downward. All qualified white Democrats who shall pledge themselves to support the nomi nees of the primary at the regular elec-tion are entitled to vote, but no one shall be allowed to vote who voted the Republican ticket in the presidential election of 1892. At a later date the committee will appoint the judges and clerks of election. The votes of the primary are to be counted in the presence of the friends of each

It is expected that the headquarters of the Internal Revenue District, now in Richmond, will in the next few weeks be transferred to Petersburg. The headquarter accommodations are better her than in Richmond, and they are to be put

n first-class condition. The Grand Lodge of Maryland, Ancient Order of United Workmen, will convene in Baltimore next Tuesday. This jurisdiction embraces Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Mr. Hugh R. Smith will attend as a member of the grand body, and Mr. Isaac N. Wolff as the delegate from Cockade Lodge, No. 16.

WILL ANNOUNCE HIS DECISION. It is expected that Rev. A. J. Fristoe, paster of the Second Baptist church, will to-morrow announce to his congregation has action on the call to the Central Bapist church, at Chattanooga. Right Rev. A. M. Randolph, Bishop of

the Southern Diocese of Virginia, will be in our city to-morrow, and will preach and administer confirmation at Grace church in the morning. He visited St. Stephen's (colored) church last night. Kichard Chicoes (colored) was arrested

in Dinwiddie county this morning, charged with committing an assault on Tucker. The accused was bail ed for a hearing on Monday.

VENERABLE CONFEDERATE GONE. The Death of General William G.

McKey Davis. ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 12 .- (Spe cial.)-General William G. McKey Davis, whose death in this city yesterday has been mentioned in the Dispatch, was the oldest living Confederate general. The leceased was born in Portsmouth, Va. May 9, 1812, and his career, in many respects, was a most notable one. When a youth he left his native State and settled in Wilkes county, Ga., where he married shortly afterward, Miss Mary E. Mills, a near relative of the late Justice L. Q. C. Lamar. He then moved to Eufaula Ala., and established the first newspape published in that section of the country editing and controlling it for a number of years. Seeing a great future in the newly-made State of Florida, he left Alabama and cast his fortunes with the former Commonwealth, going first to Appalachicola, where he read and began the practice of law. Later, he made his home practice of law. Later, he made his nome at Tallahassee, and was a member of the secession convention. Though opposed at the outset to the idea of secession, he, like many others at the outbreak of the war, warmly espoused the Confederate cause, and in 1862 raised a troop of second of the cause, and in 1862 raised a troop of second causes. eavalry, serving under General Kirby In the latter part of 1863, he was promoted to a brigadier-generalship, and was assigned to the Army of East Ten-nessee. Just before the close of hostili-ties, he resigned from active service on account of ill health, and went to Richmond. After the war General Davis moved to Washington, and engaged in the practice of law, becoming a member of the well-known firm of Hughes, Den-ver & Peck. It was shortly after this that he distinguished himself by his brilinat he distinguished hinser by his orli-liant and successful management for the government of the famous claim of Cal-lie & Co., brought in the interest of a number of English cotton brokers, for cotton alleged to have been destroyed by the United States authorities during the The victory on the part of the government in this case, virtually settled fate of hundreds of similar claims, and resulted in a saving of an immens

and resulted in a saving of an immense sum to this country. General Davis numbered among his intimate friends, Daniel Webster, ex-President Jefferson Davis, and other equally celebrated men.

The deceased was a typical southern gentleman of the old school; chivalrous and tree and absorption with a bivalrous condition of the old school; chivalrous and tree and absorption with a bivalrous condition with the condition of the condition of the condition with the condition of and true, and abounding with a kindly courtesy and a sweetness of disposition which endeared him to all. He is survived by a daughter-Mrs. Newton-and two sons-Messrs. Charles M. and Mel-

AMONG THE GLOUCESTER FOLK. Fourth Trial of the Williams Case-Personal News.

ZANONI, GLOUCESTER COUNTY, VA., March 12.-(Special.)-The Williams case, before the County Court, is the fourth trial growing out of a fight in lower Gloucester about a year ago. J Boyd Sears, James N. Stubbs, and William C. L. Taliaferro are for the defence in the present case, with Judge G. Taylor Garnett, of Mathews, presiding, as in two of the previous trials. A store for the sale of agricultural im-

plements will be erected at the courthouse, it is reported. That the Gloucester sportsman is in no need of journeying beyond the con-

fines of his own beloved county for wha is his own delight was proved on Thurs-day, when Mr. John Sanders caught fifty-four chub in Cow creek mill-pond. An-

other fisherman was less successful, his catch numbering but eleven. The steamer Northampton, plying be tween Norfelk and Wace and East rivers has been undergoing repairs since being disabled several weeks since. In her absence the J. S. Warren has been or

the above route. A fortnightly card club was recently organized in this vicinity. Its meetings eem enjoyable to every attendant.
Miss Annie Lena Salley, of Newpor News, will visit the Misses Seawell, at

Riverside, the coming week.

Miss Jessie Hunter and Miss Minnie Whitman, of Baltimore, are to visit Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Harwood early in the next week. Mrs. William B. Lee is visiting in Rich-

Lieutenant John Ormond Nicolson United States navy, who died in Washington recently, after retirement from the navy because of lil-health, was a nephew of Captain J. M. Nicolson and Major William K. Perrin, of Gloucester.

war lying in York river. Rumors of war are not preventing farmers' from speeding the plough, in a literal sense, during this grand spring weather.

He had visited the county from men-of-

THIS LOOKS VERY UGLY.

What a Steamer Captain Says About Habana Harbor.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 12 .-(Special.)-"I know positively that there were mines in Habana harbor, unless they have been removed within the past two years," said Captain Gronmeyer, of the German-American steamer Castillia, this atternoon. Capiain Gronmeyer runs to this port regularly. He is well known in shipping circles, and his reliability is

"My snip was about to enter Habana narbor in the spring of 1895," Captain Gronmeyer continued, "when we were signalled to stop. A government pilot soon boarded the vessel, and I inquired the meaning of the signals. He promptly replied that mines were being placed in the bay. Every foot of the harbor, he said, was being mined, drawn off into squares, and each square connected with a numbered keyboard on land, so that it would only be necessary to press a button communicating with the mine un der a ship to blow it to atoms. I was interested in the matter," said the Caprain, "and the pilot described in detail, so far as he knew, the manner in which the explosives were being arranged. After leaving Habana harbor I thought no more about the mines, until I heard that the Maine had been blown up."

THE BATTLESHIP MAINE. A Souvenir of Our Ill-Fated Warship

for Dispatch Renders. Since widespread and livliest interest centres round the once magnificent battleship Maine, which now lies wrecked at the bottom of Habana harbor, and since her destruction is like to mark a

great epoch in our nation's history, we have prepared for the readers of the DISPATCH, a souvenir of her. It is a colored picture 9 1-4x15, cleverly executed in every detail, and taken from an oil-painting done by F. N. Atwood in 1895, and owned by Brigadier-General H. A. Wheeler. It will be found ad-

mirably suited for framing. In order to obtain the picture, cut out a coupon which will be found on, and after March 13th, at the bottom of the last column of the first page of the DISPATCH, and bring it with five cents to our counter. It must be remembered we are not mailing the picture, but it is only delivered at our counter at the

above named rate.
These pictures can be had on and afafter Tuesday, March 15th.

POPULISTS TO CONFER IN RALEIGH, Will Talk Over the Situation of Miss Simmons.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 12 .- (Special.) A call is made for a conference of Populists here next Wednesday. It is signed by members of both wings of that partythe Butlerites and the anti-Butlerites. One of the former is J. Y. Hamrick, State Labor Commissioner, He said to-day that all sorts of Populists had made the call, and that all sorts will attend the gathering. He added: "We will talk situation and see whether the Democrats will gobble us up or not. We will also see about calling a State convention. The party is shaky; that is a fact. It looks like it will divide, and part go to the Democrats and the other part to the Republicans." Hamrick is a member of the Populist State Committee.

Lusk, of Asheville, spent som time making inquiry as to whether H. G. Ewart had ever been licensed by Supreme Court of this State to practice law. Lusk declares Ewart never was licensed. In view of this fact it is regarded as singular that Lusk should three years ago have worked so hard to have Lusk made a Judge of the Western Criminal Circuit. Ewart is not a native of this State, but of South Carolina. Lusk is now trying to defeat his con-

firmation as a Federal judge.

The State to-day chartered the Republle Publishing Company, of Rockingham, Richmond county; capital, \$1,500. It will publish a Republican paper, and D. M. Morrison, H. C. Dockery, A. S. Dockery, Claudius Dockery, John P. Cameron, M. S. John, and M. H. Quick are among the

stockholders Several hundred shrubs and plants from the nurseries at Biltmore have arrived here, the gift of George Vanderbilt to the It is stated that all will be set out in the grounds of the Executive Mansion and none in the Capitol Square. Vanderbilt's gardener will supervise the

The new building at the State School for deaf mutes at Morganton will be 189 feet front and three stories in height, and will cost \$17,000,

and will cost \$17.900,

Rev. J. W. Jenkins, a local Methodist
preacher, is dangerously sick with eryspelas at his home, Cary.

Track-laying on the new Mooresville-Mocksville short-cut of the Southern railway is expected to begin by the end of next week.

It is asserted that the suspen the negro organ, the Gazette, in this city, has added to the worry of the Republican-Populist leaders who are planning fusion. That paper was a factor in holding the negroes to fusion with the Popu-Miss Eva Belle Simmons, the only fe

male graduate of Wake Forest College, who died suddenly yesterday at Eufaula, Ala., will be buried at Wake Forest. She was given a degree, although she stood at the head of the class. Her brother, Thomas J. Simmons, is president of the college at Eufaula. The Supreme Court devotes the coming

week to the Sixth District. The docket is one of the lightest ever known. The first Federal prisoner was yester day placed in the penitentiary here

Chairman Dockery, of the Peritentiary Board, favors the sale of the big and nearly empty prison to the United States. Tonsts at St. Patrick's Banquet.

At the banquet to be given by the St. Patrick's Beneficial and Social Society on the night of the 17th the following toasts will be responded to: "The Clergy," Rev. P. Donahue; "Our Society," Mr. John J. Blake; "The Day We Ceiebrate," Mr. T. J. Sheeby; "Robert Emmett," Mr. John F. McSoriey, Mr. M. L. Smith will render the song, "The Harp of Tara's Hall," while "America" will be sung by a quartette composed of Messrs, G. H. Parater, J. Louis Suilivan, M. L. Smith, and Thomas P. Shea.

TO PLAY BASE-BALL.

RICHMOND TEAM WILL ASSEMBLE ONE WEEK FROM TO-MORROW.

SCHEDULE MEETING ON THE 24TH

Magnates Will Assemble in Philadelphia and Adopt a Schedule-Jake Has a New Pitcher, or Thinks

One week from to-morrow the ballplayers of the Richmond team will assemble in Charlotte, N. C., for practice, and in another week they will report here for the exhibition games which alhere for the exhibition games which almutte for the Squire to do, it having been ways precede the regular league season. all settled before. The club as now made up by Manager Wells is complete in every detail, and the boys will line-up in Charlotte as follows: Catchers-Hess and Vigneaux.

Pitchers-Stimmell, Chesbro, Schmidt, Stocksdale, Sparks, Conniff, Bishop, and

Infielders-Lutenburg, Klopf, Leahy, and Dundon. Outfielders-Seybold, Hargrove, Kain,

All told there will be fifteen men to don



DICK CROZIER.

Richmond uniforms when the line-up is had in Charlotte, but only thirteen of ing, when the Jackson woman, who is these will enter the league season with now sick, is able to attend court. these will enter the league season with Richmond uniforms when the line-up is will be brought to this city.

(III.) team, of the Western Association, ast year, and when that team went out had his eye on him, went over of existence he was given his release. The franchise of the Quincy club was, however, placed in Ottumwa, Ja., and it s now contended by the Ottumwa people that McGreevy, who was on the Quincy reserve-list, belongs to them. The matter will be arbitrated, and Richmond will make a strong fight to land the twirler. Sparks, the Galveston twirler, says he is not coming here. Richmond has, however, purchased his release, and he will have to come. He wants more money ance before Justice Crutchfield on the than the management is willing to give 19th. Mr. R. B. Chandler went on his

course of training for the first few days he is in Charlotte. On the 26th they will meet the Augusta club, of the Southern League, and on the 28th they will cross

League, and on the 28th they will cross

They will then

They will then They will then leave Charlotte homeward bound, and ton once again, on the 29th.

Reaching Richmond on the morning of the 30th, the Bluebirds will make their advent at Broad-Street Park that afternoon, when they will meet the Richmond College Spiders. The next afternoon they will play with the McCabe's School boys, and on the 1st, 2d, and 4th of April will play with the Baltimore club. On the 5th, 6th, and 7th they will meet the Montreal (Eastern League) team, and on the 8th they will once more contest with Boston. On the 9th they will play Boston in Petersburg, and on the 11th (Easter Monday) they will play Washington in this

Negotiations are pending for the dates between the Washington game and the opening of the league season, but none have yet been perfected.

The Atlantic League magnates will meet in Philadelphia on the morning of March 24th, to adopt a schedule for 1898 and enact laws for the government of the players. Concerning the schedule, President Barrows writes; "I think I will the property of the pro give you Newark for your opening at-traction. The championship season will open on Monday, April 25th, and close September 14th. The clubs are all in good shape and the players are signing without much kicking. The new member-Allentown-is base-ball mad, and will be ne of our best drawing towns this year. one of our best drawing tows this year.

Norfolk is sure to do much better this season, with new grounds and improved location. I predict that both Norfolk and Richmond will finish well up in the race. his year, as they are both much stronger

than they were last "I think I have the best staff of umpires "I think I have the best stan of umpires of any of the minor leagues, in Betts, the star of our league last year; Jack Brennan, of the Texas League; J. J. Kelly, of the National League, and your own "Pop" Tate. Nick Young is receiving quite a little censure for not appointing Kelly again this year, and Brennan has been the bright, particular to nan has been the bright, particular star of the Texas League for the past two

"The schedule will consist of only 128 games this year, instead of 140, as last The 25th is considered entirely too late



CHARLES LUTENBERG. in the month to begin the league season and a streuous effort will be made at the Philadelphia meeting to have the date of opening changed to the 18th. Wells will make a fight for this change, and hopes to be successful.

Carpenters are at work out at Broad-

Street Park, preparing for the coming of the Bluebirds. The boxes in front of the grandstand have all been torn away, and a row of seats has been placed in their stead. The wire-fences around the field have all been substituted by picket-fences, and increased facilities and ac-commodations are being made for the re-porters.

The Richmond colors will remain as heretofore-blue and gray-but the uni-form this year will be somewhat different

from those of previous seasons. It will consist of blue caps, belts, and stockings. and gray shirts and trousers with blue and white striped sweaters.

GROSS GOES FREE.

He Pays Mrs. Gross \$150, and She Withdraws the Warrant. '

The case of John F. Gross, the Henrico farmer, charged with wife-beating, was called in the court of Squire Thomas P. Larus yesterday morning, but there was Gross was arrested Friday evening by

Constable Samuels on a warrant sworn out by Mrs. Ella Gross, his wife, charging him with beating and maltreating her, and the hearing was fixed for yesterday morning. The unusual features of the case, which have already appeared in these columns, excited considerable interest, and when the Squire called his court to order, besides the dozen or so witnesses, a large and intensely interested crowd was present, with mouths open, awaiting developments. They were sadly disappointed, for nothing was said, and the witnesses had nothing to do. Gross announced that he and his wife, at the advice of mutual friends, had settled their grievances out of court. A feed duly recorded in the Henrico County Court stands testimony to the truth of this statement.

This legal document, drawn up by Squire Larus, declares that in consideration of the sum of \$150 Mrs. Ella Gross withdraws the complaint against John F. Gross, and also releases all claim to her dowry and the tract of land in Varina District, which is their farm, and they hold in common. She is to leave him in undisputed possession of it, without incumbrance. When seen yesterday afternoon Mr.

Gross said his wife was going out with him, and he was waiting for her then, she having gone up-town, but he did not know what she would do in the future. the did not seem to know, or did not wish to discuss her plans, if he knew them. It has been suggested that, with the money she received to still the warrant, she would return to her people, whom she says lives in Harrisburg, Pa. Charles Taylor and William Beale, the two men recently arrested for swindling Lizzle Jackson, a colored woman, by representing themselves as State tax-collectors, remain confined, awaiting a hear-

at Charlotte, and only the best men with burglary, was heard before Squire G. W. Thomas yesterday morning, and The records of all of the men signed sent on to the grand jury. Evidence said for the approaching season have been Cheese entered and robbed the house of given, save that of McGreevy, who is the club's latest acquisition, and it is not dead sure that he will play here, either.

He was the star player of the Quincy in jail. His term expired a few days ago, and Constable R. C. Garnett, who brought him home.

WAS BAILED TO WED,

Charles Chandler Let Out of Jail to Get Married-News of the Courts.

In the Hustings Court yesterday Charles Chandler, charged with feloniously cutting and wounding Charles Mason, was bailed in the sum of \$500 for his appearbond. The accused adopted this means of securing his liberty in order that his time making dates for his practice games. He will put his boys through a course of training for the first form to remain "in durance vile." He will to-morrow wed Mrs. Annie Leake, after

Chalkley against the Virginia and North will stop off at Greensboro' and play Bos- Carolina Wheel Company. The plaintiff sustained injuries some time ago in an accident in the company's shops. A flying piece of timber struck him, knocking out his teeth and severely injuring his head.

The case of Dalsy Rebecca Dabney against the Richmond Railway and Electric Company, which has been on trial in this court for several days, was concluded by a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$650. In the Circuit Court, in the case of

Josephine Hierholzer against William H. Beveridge, a motion to set aside the ver-dict rendered was overruled, and the judgment by the court for \$6,415.30 was sustained. The defendant excepted, and leave was granted to file a bill of exceptions any time during the present term. Suit was instituted by India S. Thurssuit was instituted by India S. Thurston's Administrator against the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company for \$500.

In the case of E. A. Saunders & Son against the Western Union Telegraph Company, for \$100, a verdict was returned subject to the applicant of the country.

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COOK IN THE PENITENTIARY.

Ronnoke Preacher Consigned to Superintendent Helms's Keeping. Rev. Leslie E. Cook was brought to Rev. Leslie E. Cook was brought to Richmond from Roanoke last night and placed in the penitentiary, where he will spend the next two years for the crime of forgery. Cook was in charge of Mr. Kizer, a penitentiary guard, and the trip was made without incident. The spend was made without incident. The guard and prisoner were met at Byrd-Street Station by the penitentiary van, a convict driving, and Mr. Hanger, a guard,

A group of curious sightseers had con-A group of curious sightseers had congregated about the gates, and at the street entrance, attracted by the sight of the prison van, knowing it meant that some poor fellow in distress was to be taken over to the great building on the hill, the graveyard of so many hopes and dreams and ambitions.

Cook and his guard were the last to leave the car, coming out some time.

leave the car, coming out some time after the other passengers had left it, and though the latter had had ample time in which to leave the station, many remained to see the seation, many time in which to leave the station, many remained to see the convict start away. Cook was shabbily dressed in a dark suit, which had evidently done service for many months. Instead of the smoothly-shaven face, with the close-cropped moustache shading the mouth, a month's growth of reddish beard hid his secure chin and strong law. He held month's growth of reddish heard hid his square chin and strong jaw. He held his manacled hands before him, his tall figura was stooped, and when he came into the brightly-lighted waiting-room, he paused, and lifted his head. It seemed as if he was shrinking for ed as if he was shrinking from the gaze of curious eyes. His guard hurried on to the street, where the van was 'Poor fellow!" said a lady near the

door. "He's a preacher," said a young man just outside. And then the crowd gathered closer about the van.

Cook paid not the slightest attention to the curious gaze fixed upon him, and when he reached the curb, paused again. His guard motioned him to step in, and he entered. Mr. Kizer followed him; Mr. Hanger swung up beside the striped driver, the van lumbered up the hill at a rattling pace, and disappeared in the darkness.

benefit of the Ladies' Missionary Society 6 P. M. of the First Baptist church. Among those 12 night who will take part are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Clowes and Joseph Wooldridge.

MAKE-UP OF SPIDERS

THE STUDENTS GETTING THEIR TEAM INTO GOOD SHAPE.

OTHER AFFAIRS OUT AT COLLEGE.

Field-Day to Be Made a Great Ocension This Year-Philologians

Public Debate-Orator's Medal Con-

For years the base-ball spirit has not been so high in Richmond College as it Many of the boys are bubbling over with enthusiasm, and as the warm spring days come and go they repair to the diamond and vent some of their enthusiasm in practice. The captain thinks it is none too much to say that the 1898 "Spiders" will not be any behind the 1897

"Spiders" in successfully weaving an in-

tricate web with which to catch their opponents. The first of last week the applicants were cut down to fourteen. These have been practicing hard, and they show up There is some excellent material. well. Each applicant is drilled not only on his weak points, but also on his strong ones. The boys have been practicing at Broad-Street Park for several days, and by the 30th it is expected that they will be shipshape and all rendy to meet the strong Richmond league team. That will be the initiative game of the "Spiders," and also the first public appearance of

the Richmond team in this city. PERSONNEL OF THE PLAYERS.

Paul Bagby has been elected captain of the 1828 team. He was an outfield "Spider" on last season's team, and everyone remembers the star game that he put up. He will cover third bag this spring. For catcher, there are two promi-nent and promising applicants—Powell and Coon. Both are showing up extionally well, and it is hard yet to decide which one will don the liver pad. The pitchers have not yet been decided upon, though there are several applying for this important position. The pitchers'-box will be filled well. At short, Shaw is showing up in fine shape, both at the bat and in the field. Sanford, on first, is a second Rea. He throws with lightninglike rapidity. Several are applying for the second bag, among whom are Kaulman and Whitehead. Both of these play with ginger and get about lively. Mitchell, a fine infielder, is expected to be here by Tuesday. He will make some one huetle for a position. There are quite a number trying for outfield. The most promising are Mabry, Taylor, Hudson, Graves, Gochnauer, Robinson, and Ab-derson. As all of these have been on the diamond before, and play well, the

FIELD-DAY SPORTS.

Richmond College has a "field-day't every spring. The Field-Day Committee this year consists of Professor S. C. Mitchell (chairman), Professor R. J. Kellog, G. E. Mabry, J. D. Frazer, J. D. Lee, and S. M. Stone. The committee have already been hard at work, and are arranging an attractive programme. There will be a large number of entries for every contest, which will make everything more attractive. Many medals and firstclass prizes will be given. No entries will be received after the 9th of April. The 6th of May has been fixed as the date. The committee are putting forth untiring efforts to its success, and with the ald of the entire student body and the citizens

of Richmond, expect to make this the best in the history of the college. Next Friday night-March the Isth-at 8:15 o'clock, in the College Hall, the Phiness, Those who take part are. Reader's, P. Devault, Tennessee; Declaimer, J. C. Cone, Ohio; Debaters—J. E. Johnson, Isle of Wight county, Va.; G. W. Clarke, Front Royal, Va.; H. T. Musselman, Stafford county, Va., and E. D. Turner, West Virginia. The question top debate is: "Should the Women of Virginia Be Allowed the Right of Suffrage?"

The public is cordially invited. CONTEST FOR ORATOR'S MEDAL. The contest for the intercollegiate orator's medal will take place at Richmond College the 6th of May. The officers are: O. L. Owens, president; J. W. T. McNell, vice-president, and K. W. Cawthon, secretary and treasurer. This promises to be a gala time, and the young Demosthe-neans will easily show that oratory is still found among the college and univer-

sities of Virginia. President F. W. Boatwright still remains somewhat indisposed. He is new in the country recuperating and taking

much-needed rest

SMITHFIELD, VA., March 12.-(Special.)-Preparations are being made by the Colcotte-Wrenn Camp of Confederate veterans to hold a reunion here on May veterans to hold a reunion here on may 18th. This will be the first Confederato meeting held in the town since the close of the war, and every effort is being made by the veterans to make it a nota-ble occasion. Captain W. Gordon McCabo and Hon, George L. Christian, of Rich-mond, have kindly consented to be the

mond, have kindy or a constant of the day.

Miss Jule Whitiey, of Newport News, is visiting Miss Minnie Boykin.

Mrs. Charles Betts and George Delk, who have been attending to busine Baltimore, returned home last night.
Misses Pauline Gambol and Al

Phillips are staying with Miss Sally P.
Eiey, of this place.
Rev. F. G. Scott was called away on
husiness to Orange county this week, and
will be unable to return in time to hold service on Sunday. Mr. J. W. Barrow, who is attending the Southern Business College, of Norfolk, in

Chapel-Hill News.

in town.

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., March 12.-(Special.)-Dr. Charles Mangum, of the Media cal Department, returned last night from Philadelphia, where he has been attendng the convention of the Zeta Psi Fra-Professor Gore, of the Chair of Physics.

delivered a highly interesting lecture in the chapel Thursday evening on the sub-ject of "Cosmogony." The lecture was illustrated by stereopticon views.

Mr. J. E. Cook, of the Valley Herald, Waynesboro', Va., is in the city for a fed days.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, March 12-Forecast for Sunday: RAIN For Virginia-Rain; southerly

winds. For North and South Carolina, and Georgia-Fair weather, except showers in the interior; southerly winds.

THE WEATHER IN RICHMOND

YESTERDAY was bright and springlike State of thermometer: A silver tea will be given on Thursday 9 A. M. night at the residence of Mrs. John S. 12 M. Harwood. No. 1009 Floyd avenue, for the 3 P. M.

Mean temperature 645

Smithfield Mention.